भारतीय यूनिट ट्रस्ट और आई०डी०बी०आई० का निरीक्षण

1640. **श्री गोपाल सिंह जी० सोलंकी:** क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या भारतीय प्रतिभूति और विनिमय बोर्ड (एस०ई०बी०आई०) ने भारतीय यूनिट ट्रस्ट और आई०डी०बी०आई० के कार्यों के निरीक्षण के आदेश दिए हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं;

(ग) आज की स्थिति के अनुसार किन-किन कंपनियों द्वारा अपनी निरीक्षण रिपोर्ट प्रस्तुत कर दी गई है;

(घ) निरीक्षण रिपोर्ट का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ङ) सरकार द्वारा इस पर क्या कार्यवाही की गई है?

वित्त मंत्री तथा कंपनी कार्य मंत्री (श्री पी० चिदम्बरम): (क) और (ख) सेबी ने यू०टी०आई० के निरीक्षण का आदेश दिया जिसमें यू०टी०आई० की छः योजनाओं और यू०टी०आई० द्वारा प्रस्तुत किए गए दस शीर्षस्थ निजी स्थापनों को शामिल किया गया। आई०डी०बी०आई० सेबी के क्षेत्र में नहीं आता है। यह निरीक्षण यह सुनिश्चित करने के लिए किया गया था कि लेखों की पुस्तकें और अन्य रिकार्ड ठीक तरह से रखे जाते हैं ताकि विवेकपूर्ण निवेश मानदंडों के अनुपालन, दलालवार व्यापार विस्तार और निधि द्वारा अपनाई गई बाजार पद्धतियों की जांच की जा सके। निरीक्षण में निवेशकों की शिकायतों पर की गई कार्रवाई की समीक्षा भी की गई।

(ग) और (घ) ये निरीक्षण मैसर्स हरीभक्ति एंड कंपनी तथा मैसर्स छाजेड एवं दोषी नामक दो चार्टर्ड लेखाकार फर्मों द्वारा किए गए थे। सेबी को दोनों निरीक्षण रिपोर्टें मिल गई हैं। इन निरीक्षण रिपोर्टों से विभिन्न प्रचालनात्मक त्रुटियों को पता लगा है।

(ङ) इन निरीक्षण रिपोर्टों के निष्कर्षों पर सेबी और यू०टी०आई० के बीच विचार-विमर्श चल रहा है।

Functioning of NIV Centre, Pune

1641. SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints received regarding the functioning of National Institute of Virology Centre, Pune;

(b) how many of them are of serious nature regarding use of scientific research by superiors for their personal purpose;

(c) whether all cases have been examined thoroughly; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) According to the information received from the Indian Council of Medical Research, approximately 15—20 complaints have been received since 1992 regarding various matters relating to the National Institute of Virology (NIV), Pune.

(b) and (c) There has been one allegation from an ex-Senior Research Fellow regarding use of scientific research matter by the Director of the Institute, which was investigated by the Council and not found to be true. The Council has further informed that other complaints received have also been examined at the appropriate level and remedial action, wherever called for, has been taken.

(d) Does not arise.

D.D. Payment of Rs. 40 Lakhs to Sagar, Khan

1642. SHRI RAGHAVJI
SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "DD Gifts Rs. 40 lakhs to Sagar, Khan", that appeared in the New Delhi edition of the Indian Express dated the 30th June, 1996; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI CM. IBRAHIM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The allegations made therein are not borne out by facts.

Detection of HIV Positive cases in Pondicherry

1643. SHRI RAM NATH KOVIND: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has been reported that 1700 persons found to be HIV positive cases out of the 60,000 blood samples tested in recent past in Union Territory of Pondicherry;

(b) if so, whether organisation of such blood samples was made by Project Officer, AIDS Control, Pondicherry;

(c) whether Government propose to issue instructions to Project Officer, AIDS Control Programmes of all States and Union Territories to undertake samples of blood to detect HIV positive cases in their respective areas;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) As on 30th June, 1996 out of 67096 samples screened, 1864 HIV Positive cases have been reported from Govt, of Pondicherry so far.

(b) Blood samples were sent to Surveillance Centres in Pondicherry for surveillance purposes in coordination with State AIDS Programme Officer, Pon-dicherry.

(c) and (d) In all State and Union Territories of the country, there are 62 surveillance centres doing screening for blood to detect HIV Positive cases.

(e) Does not arise.

News-item regarding PSF duty Evasion

1644. SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: SHRI BANGARU LAXMAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item appearing in the Business Standard of 19th June, 19% under the caption "Probe into Rs. 1000 crores PSF Duty Evasion"; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken to recover the Central excise duty allegedly evaded by manufacturers of polyester staple fibre and its users?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Directorate General of Anti Evasion of Central Board of Excise and Customs has already initiated investigation against some manufacturers of Polyester Staple Fibres and Spinners of yarn. It has revealed, *prima-facie,* evasion of Central Excise duty of the order of Rs. 15 crores. A Show Cause Notice demanding central excise duty of Rs. 24.79 lakhs has been issued to one of the fibre manufacturer.

Recovery of proceedings can only be initiated after the alleged duty evasion is established and quantified by way of adjudication.

6.00 P.M.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

(1) Notification of the M/o Finance, (Deptt. of Eco. Affairs)

(2) Notification of the State Bank of India

(3) Notifications of the M/o Finance (Deptt. of Revenue).

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) (Madam) I lay on the Table—